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BUSINESS PROFESSIONALS OF AMERICA **NATIONAL LEADERSHIP CONFERENCE HIGHLIGHTS**

~from Diana Fiedler, State Advisor, Montana BPA, dated May 18, 2006~

- ❖ 298 students and advisors attended the NLC (the highest number yet!) in Orlando, May 10-14, 2006.
- ❖ Montana awarded the 'Membership Growth Award' for the 6th year in a row!
- ❖ Our **Post-Secondary Division** was in attendance from Flathead Valley Community College and placed in the **TOP TEN!**
 - Sadie Carlen**, FVCC, **3rd place** in Fundamental Accounting—Post-Secondary
 - Leaona Fauske**, FVCC, **5th place** in Human Resource Management—Post-Secondary
- ❖ Fifty-two **Montana Secondary** students placed in the **TOP TEN** in the nation in competitive events and went to the stage to receive their medallions and award plaques!
- ❖ **National TOP THREE** awardees:
 - **Lara Stickland**, Columbus HS, **1st place** in Basic Office Systems & Procedures
 - **John Elgin**, Powder River Dist. Co. HS, **1st place** in Advanced Accounting
 - **Joe Tochiara**, Absarokee HS, **2nd place** in Presentation Management-Individual
 - **Michael Lin**, Bozeman HS, **2nd place** in Digital Media Production
 - **Isaac Marble**, Roberts HS, **2nd place** in Entrepreneurship
 - **Seth Schumacher & Vanessa Sievers**, Park HS, **2nd place** in E-commerce Team
 - **Sarah Hotaling**, Butte HS, **3rd place** in Medical Office Procedures
 - **Lane Parrott**, Billings Skyview HS, **2nd place** in Computerized Accounting

❖ **MONTANA BPA's 2006 NLC TOP TEN NATIONAL PLACINGS**

- *Admin. Support Research Project-Ind.*, **Amanda Pitts**, Roberts HS, 8th place.
- *Admin. Support Team*, **Meghan Gee, Melody Gibbs, Danni Thom**, Stanford HS, 6th place.
- *Advanced Accounting*, **Jennifer Majerus**, Saco HS, 8th place.
- *Advanced Office Systems & Procedures*, **Eric Hjelvik**, Melstone HS, 7th place.
- *Advanced Word Processing Skills*, **Jennifer Rogers**, Hobson HS, 5th place.
- *Banking & Finance*, **John Elgin**, Powder River Dist. Co. HS, 7th place.
- *Basic Office Systems & Procedures*, **Emili Crowder**, Saco HS, 5th place.
- *Computerized Accounting*, **Jared LeVeque**, Cascade HS, 4th place.
- *E-commerce Team*, **Calin Sidwell, Max Smiley**, Roberts HS, 10th place.
- *Entrepreneurship*, **Lane Parrott**, Billings Skyview HS, 6th place.
- *Financial Analyst Team*, **Brittany Bertsch, Kelli Hanson**, Billings Skyview HS, 10th place.
- *Financial Analyst Team*, **Jared Jackson, Tiffany Moullet, Bryan Waldhauser, Jennifer Walter**, Huntley Project HS, 5th place.
- *Financial Math & Analysis*, **John Elgin**, Powder River Dist. Co. HS, 5th place.
- *Fundamental Accounting*, **Elizabeth Mead**, Colstrip HS, 5th place.
- *Fundamental Accounting*, **Jessa Aipperspach**, Ronan HS, 6th place.
- *Fundamentals of HTML*, **Andrew Letson**, Billings Skyview HS, 7th place.
- *Global Marketing Team*, **Stephanie Greenwood, Courtney Piccin, Melia Ropp**, Roberts HS, 10th place.
- *Graphic Design Promotion*, **Jamie Smith**, Absarokee HS, 7th place.
- *Human Resource Management*, **Calvin Murphy**, Butte HS, 4th place.

- *Human Resource Management*, **Christine Cox**, Billings Skyview HS, 5th place.
- *Human Resource Management*, **Kayla Corcoran**, Billings Skyview HS, 6th place.
- *Keyboarding Production*, **Katie Spika**, Fergus HS, 7th place.
- *Network Design Team*, **Chris Bennion, David Splittberger**, Billings Skyview HS, 10th place.
- *Parliamentary Procedure Team*, **Cassie Abel, Heidi Grove, Kaleigh Mikkelsen, Jennifer Rogers**, Hobson HS, 5th place.
- *Parliamentary Procedure Team*, **Jared LeVeque, Richard Woodland, Brannon Judeman, Nathan Dye**, Cascade HS, 9th place.
- *Prepared Speech*, **Tami Ruffatto**, Culbertson HS, 5th place.
- *Spreadsheet Apps. & Analysis*, **Jared Isaak**, Powder River Dist. Co. HS, 7th place.

CONGRATULATIONS to all NLC participants ... Montana BPA is SO proud of you!

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